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Date of JD/LLB **May 23, 2024**
Class Rank **School does not rank**
Law Review/Journal **Yes**
Journal(s) **Harvard Law School National Security Journal**
Moot Court Experience **No**

Bar Admission**Prior Judicial Experience**

Judicial Internships/
Externships **No**

Post-graduate Judicial Law Clerk **No**

Specialized Work Experience

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June 2023

The Honorable Timothy James Kelly
United States District Court
District of Columbia
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Kelly:

I am a rising third-year student at Harvard Law School and the Editor-in-Chief of the *National Security Journal*, and I am writing to apply for a clerkship in your chambers for the next available term following my graduation in May 2024. I am particularly interested in clerking for you because of your varied experience in public service, from serving as an Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, to working in Congress.

I have long been committed to public service. At Yale, I focused my studies on U.S. foreign policy and interned at the U.S. State Department. In law school, I served as a summer intern in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York. I look forward to returning to public service, and clerking would be a meaningful opportunity to serve my community by shaping the law.

During law school, I have gained strong legal research and writing skills. Between my work as a research assistant, my monthly *Lawfare* column, and my time as editor-in-chief of the *National Security Journal*, I have developed a keen eye for detail and experience in all aspects of legal scholarship. As an intern at the U.S. Attorney's Office, I wrote an appellate brief defending the substantive reasonableness of the district court's sentence in a narcotics case. I look forward to further honing my skills at Covington & Burling this summer.

I am also comfortable in collaborative, fast-paced work environments. At Bain & Company, I worked to solve complex business problems under tight deadlines. Toward the end of my tenure, I managed two consultants and we successfully developed a five-year technological development plan for a Fortune 500 company. At Harvard, the Cyber Law Clinic has given me the opportunity to work with classmates to submit an administrative law comment to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and an amicus brief to the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court.

I have loved the time I spent in Washington, D.C., both as a consultant before law school and as a summer associate this summer. Washington is a dynamic and multi-faceted city, and everyone here shares a passion that drives their work. It would be a privilege to return.

Attached, please find my resume, law school transcript, and writing sample. You will receive separately letters of recommendation from the following individuals:

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Please reach out to me if I can offer further information. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,


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EDUCATION

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL , J.D. Candidate	May 2024
Honors:	Cravath International Fellow, Fairbank Center for Chinese Studies Grant Recipient
Activities:	<i>Harvard Law School National Security Journal</i> , Editor-in-Chief (Volume 15) <i>Lawfare</i> , Brookings Institution, Student Contributor for “Water Wars” Professor Jack Goldsmith, Learned Hand Professor of Law, Research Assistant National Security Law Association, Vice President, Academic Chair
YALE UNIVERSITY , B.A. <i>cum laude</i> in Global Affairs – International Security	May 2019
Honors:	Distinction in Major Global Affairs: Best Capstone
Activities:	Brady-Johnson Program in Grand Strategy The Yale Law School Paul Tsai China Center, Research Assistant <i>The Yale Globalist</i> , Online Editor-in-Chief St. Anthony Hall (Sigma Chapter), Lecture Chair
Capstone:	<i>Army Special Forces on the African Continent: Challenges and Opportunities</i> (presented to 3 rd Special Forces Grp. Airborne)
Abroad:	Harvard Beijing Academy, Beijing, China, Summer 2016

EXPERIENCE

COVINGTON & BURLING LLP , Washington, D.C.	Summer 2023
<i>Summer Associate</i>	
CYBERLAW CLINIC , Cambridge, MA	Fall 2022
<i>Law Student</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Submitted administrative law comment to the U.S. Patent and Trademarks Office highlighting the gaps between federal caselaw and USPTO regulatory guidelines on behalf of a nonprofit organization representing start-up interests Drafted appellate brief on questions related to data brokers and the need for automatic record sealing Led client meetings, provided client advice to related questions, presented various legal research findings to clients 	
U.S. ATTORNEY’S OFFICE, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK , New York, NY	Summer 2022
<i>Law Student Intern – Criminal Division, Heyman Summer Internship Fellow</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wrote appellate brief defending the substantive reasonableness of a narcotics sentencing and addressing arguments related to supervised conditions of release Conducted legal research and writing to support ongoing cases in Securities and Commodities Fraud and General Crimes units Assisted in preparing for depositions, oral arguments in court, and trials 	
BAIN & COMPANY , Washington, D.C.	2019 – 2021
<i>Associate Consultant</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analyzed quantitative data of multi-billion-dollar corporations to inform recommendations around value-capture opportunities Conducted industry interviews and large-scale consumer surveys to build a comprehensive understanding of market dynamics Presented and communicated key insights and takeaways to executives at corporate clients 	
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE: CHINA & MONGOLIA AFFAIRS , Washington, D.C.	Summer 2018
<i>Intern</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spearheaded independent project with Embassy Beijing evaluating effectiveness of U.S. Government comments on 35 Chinese draft laws from 2014 to 2018 and identifying lessons learned Drafted policy memos, multilateral statements, and letters to Congress on issues spanning general bilateral relations, human rights, trade, CFIUS, and China’s activities in Latin America 	

PERSONAL

Languages: Chinese (Proficient).

Interests: Ceramics, hiking, traveling, cooking, word games (NYT crosswords, Spelling Bee, Wordle).

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Record of: Teresa S Chen
Current Program Status: JD Candidate
Pro Bono Requirement Complete

JD Program				2674	Cyberlaw Clinic Seminar	H	2	
Fall 2021 Term: September 01 - December 03				2132	Bavitz, Christopher			
1000	Civil Procedure 2	H	4	3142	International Trade Law	H	4	
	Greiner, D. James				Wu, Mark			
1001	Contracts 2	H	4		Re-imagining global order as Asia re-emerges	H	2	
	Kennedy, Randall				Alford, William			
1006	First Year Legal Research and Writing 2B	H	2		Fall 2022 Total Credits: 15			
	Millat, Caitlin				Fall-Spring 2022 Term: September 01 - May 31			
1003	Legislation and Regulation 2	H	4	3500	Writing Group: Comparative Law, International Law, or Legal History Involving East Asia	CR	1	
	Freeman, Jody				Alford, William			
1004	Property 2	H	4		Fall-Spring 2022 Total Credits: 1			
	Mann, Bruce				Winter 2023 Term: January 01 - January 31			
Fall 2021 Total Credits: 18				7000W	Independent Writing	H	2	
Winter 2022 Term: January 04 - January 21					Alford, William			
1051	Negotiation Workshop	CR	3		Winter 2023 Total Credits: 2			
	Heen, Sheila				Spring 2023 Term: February 01 - May 31			
Winter 2022 Total Credits: 3				2000	Administrative Law	H	4	
Spring 2022 Term: February 01 - May 13				2050	Vermeule, Adrian			
2519	American Legal History: From Reconstruction to the Present	H	3		Criminal Procedure: Investigations	P	4	
	Weinrib, Laura				Jain, Eisha			
1024	Constitutional Law 2	H	4	2949	Presidential Power in an Era of Conflict	H	2	
	Jackson, Vicki				Eggleston, W. Neil			
1002	Criminal Law 2	H	4		Spring 2023 Total Credits: 10			
	Lanni, Adriaan				Total 2022-2023 Credits: 28			
1006	First Year Legal Research and Writing 2B	P	2		Fall 2023 Term: August 30 - December 15			
	Millat, Caitlin				3242	Congress's Power of the Purse	~	1
1005	Torts 2	H	4	2086	Price, Zachary			
	Davis, Seth				Federal Courts and the Federal System	~	5	
Spring 2022 Total Credits: 17				2697	Goldsmith, Jack			
Total 2021-2022 Credits: 38					From Protest to Law: Triumphs and Defeats in Struggles for Racial Justice, 1950-1970	~	3	
Fall 2022 Term: September 01 - December 31					Kennedy, Randall			
2035	Constitutional Law: First Amendment	H	4	2258	U.S. Economic Statecraft Law	~	4	
	Parker, Richard				Wu, Mark			
8004	Cyberlaw Clinic	H*	3		Fall 2023 Total Credits: 13			
	Bavitz, Christopher							
	* Dean's Scholar Prize							

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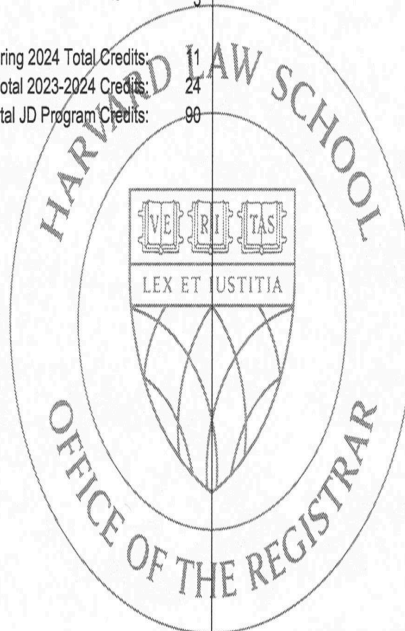
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Spring 2024 Term: January 22 - May 10			
2048	Corporations	~	4
	Tallarita, Roberto		
2079	Evidence	~	4
	Lvovsky, Anna		
2169	Legal Profession	~	3
	Gordon-Reed, Annette		

Spring 2024 Total Credits: 11
 Total 2023-2024 Credits: 24
 Total JD Program Credits: 90

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Transcript questions should be referred to the Registrar.

In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, information from this transcript may not be released to a third party without the written consent of the current or former student.

A student is in good academic standing unless otherwise indicated.

Accreditation

Harvard Law School is accredited by the American Bar Association and has been accredited continuously since 1923.

Degrees Offered

J.D. (Juris Doctor)
LL.M. (Master of Laws)
S.J.D. (Doctor of Juridical Science)

Current Grading System

Fall 2008 – Present: Honors (H), Pass (P), Low Pass (LP), Fail (F), Withdrawn (WD), Credit (CR), Extension (EXT)

All reading groups and independent clinicals, and a few specially approved courses, are graded on a Credit/Fail basis. All work done at foreign institutions as part of the Law School's study abroad programs is reflected on the transcript on a Credit/Fail basis. Courses taken through cross-registration with other Harvard schools, MIT, or Tufts Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy are graded using the grade scale of the visited school.

Dean's Scholar Prize (*): Awarded for extraordinary work to the top students in classes with law student enrollment of seven or more.

Rules for Determining Honors for the JD Program

Latin honors are not awarded in connection with the LL.M. and S.J.D. degrees.

May 2011 - Present

<i>Summa cum laude</i>	To a student who achieves a prescribed average as described in the <u>Handbook of Academic Policies</u> or to the top student in the class
<i>Magna cum laude</i>	Next 10% of the total class following <i>summa</i> recipient(s)
<i>Cum laude</i>	Next 30% of the total class following <i>summa</i> and <i>magna</i> recipients

All graduates who are tied at the margin of a required percentage for honors will be deemed to have achieved the required percentage. Those who graduate in November or March will be granted honors to the extent that students with the same averages received honors the previous May.

Prior Grading Systems

Prior to 1969: 80 and above (A+), 77-79 (A), 74-76 (A-), 71-73 (B+), 68-70 (B), 65-67 (B-), 60-64 (C), 55-59 (D), below 55 (F)

1969 to Spring 2009: A+ (8), A (7), A- (6), B+ (5), B (4), B- (3), C (2), D (1), F (0) and P (Pass) in Pass/Fail classes

Prior Ranking System and Rules for Determining Honors for the JD Program

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Prior to 1961, Harvard Law School ranked its students on the basis of their respective averages. From 1961 through 1967, ranking was given only to those students who attained an average of 72 or better for honors purposes. Since 1967, Harvard Law School does not rank students.

1969 to June 1998

<i>Summa cum laude</i>	General Average
<i>Magna cum laude</i>	7.20 and above
<i>Cum laude</i>	5.80 to 7.199
	4.85 to 5.799


June 1999 to May 2010

<i>Summa cum laude</i>	General Average of 7.20 and above (exception: <i>summa cum laude</i> for Class of 2010 awarded to top 1% of class)
<i>Magna cum laude</i>	Next 10% of the total class following <i>summa</i> recipients
<i>Cum laude</i>	Next 30% of the total class following <i>summa</i> and <i>magna</i> recipients

Prior Degrees and Certificates

LL.B. (Bachelor of Laws) awarded prior to 1969.

The I.T.P. Certificate (not a degree) was awarded for successful completion of the one-year International Tax Program (discontinued in 2004).


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June 08, 2023

The Honorable Timothy Kelly
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Kelly:

I write to recommend Teresa Chen for a clerkship in your chambers.

Teresa graduated from Yale College and then worked for Bain for two years before coming to Harvard Law School. She has gotten almost all Hs (including one Dean's Prize) at Harvard, and is the Editor-in-Chief of the Harvard Law School National Security Journal.

I first got to know Teresa through my supervision of her work on Water Wars, a column on Lawfare that covers legal news related to the South China Sea. Based on her excellent work there, I asked her to do research for me. She did extensive work on the original understanding of the treaty power; on whether certain obscure international agreements were binding or not; on some obscure trade law and International Court of Justice questions; and, finally, on revising some domestic-law doctrinal elements in a chapter of my foreign relations law casebook.

All of this work was excellent and makes me think Teresa will be a terrific law clerk. These assignments involved obscure, technical legal issues. Teresa displayed prodigious research skills in finding some of the material. And she mastered it all and answered my questions clearly, concisely, and accurately. (She is an excellent writer.) She is timely and reliable in her work. The Water Wars column (which she did with two other students) is nominally supervised by me, but in reality Teresa and her co-authors on their own meet all the deadlines and produce consistently high quality work.

In addition to her legal and related skills, Teresa is kind, cheerful, and respectful. Her selection as EIC of the National Security Law Journal suggests what I have seen in the Water Wars column—Teresa works well with others and is a natural leader. You will like her very much—I hope you consider her application seriously.

Sincerely,

Jack L. Goldsmith

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June 08, 2023

The Honorable Timothy Kelly
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse
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Dear Judge Kelly:

I write to offer a very enthusiastic recommendation for Teresa Chen, who is applying for a clerkship in your chambers. Teresa is a talented, driven, intelligent individual who demonstrates impressive analytical and leadership skills. She will make for an excellent law clerk. I urge you to grant her an interview.

I know Teresa well, having taught her in both an upper-level black-letter law class as well as a workshop seminar. Because of our shared interest in national security law and government service, we have also had several interactions outside of class, whether through extracurricular activities or office hours. Teresa consistently demonstrates an excitement for learning and a determination to make a difference to the world around her.

Last fall, Teresa enrolled in my upper-level International Trade Law course. The class is known for being among our most challenging courses for fulfilling the international law requirement, since its doctrinal content exceeds that of many of our other offerings. Many of the students who enroll in the class have some relevant background, whether through business or foreign policy. By contrast, Teresa did not; even though she had worked as a management consultant before law school, her projects did not focus on cross-border supply chains. Nevertheless, Teresa recognized the growing importance of trade law to national security policy. She always came to class highly prepared and threw herself into mastering the material. Teresa also immersed herself into understanding the policy implications of legal rulings. On several occasions, motivated by a desire to learn more, she came to office hours to discuss these policy issues further. She also engaged in vigorous conversation with classmates in the Canvas discussion board on topics such as forced labor and solar tariffs. Overall, Teresa impressed me, not only with how hard she worked, but also the joy that she found in interacting with classmates to debate law and policy.

The class also involved a simulation of a trade negotiation. Based on a student's expressed preference, I assign them to work with a team of three other classmates, where each student takes the lead on a particular topic. Teresa chose to take on the role of Canada's intellectual property negotiator. The choice was revealing in several ways: Teresa wanted to better understand negotiating dynamics from the standpoint of a party with less leverage in the negotiations. She also chose the thorniest issue area and wanted to explore how law interacts with ethical dilemmas and corporate business interests. Teresa worked marvelously with her teammates and fellow negotiators in this team-based setting. She was part of a group that helped broker a careful compromise, leading me to observe her analytical and persuasive abilities in a different setting. Not surprisingly, Teresa earned an overall grade of Honors in my class. Her contributions in the negotiations simulation were especially valued and played an important role in determining her grade.

I provide these anecdotes because I think they reveal Teresa's character – someone who is naturally curious and does not hesitate to challenge herself to learn and master new materials. Teresa is eager to push herself outside of her comfort zone and to learn from and engage with others. She not only seeks to understand the nuances and details in an area of law, but she also possesses the ability to analyze the bigger picture and the context in which the law is being made. In other words, she will make for a fantastic law clerk.

Besides my class, Teresa also enrolled in a workshop seminar that I co-teach with Professor Bill Alford (who may also be writing on her behalf). The seminar brings in leading scholars to workshop a work-in-progress, with students offering commentary and constructive feedback. The seminar also requires students to submit a weekly discussion question and three longer reflection papers.

Again, the seminar reinforced my sense of Teresa's strong analytical skills. It also allowed me a chance to observe Teresa's writing skills, at a level beyond that which is possible in a black-letter law class, and how she responds to feedback. Teresa is a gifted writer; her prose is sharp and precise. After her first reflection paper, Professor Alford and I provided feedback, and she readily implemented our suggestions in her two subsequent papers. Again, she earned a grade of Honors, which was well-deserved.

Finally, I wish to highlight one attribute that may not readily come through when one first meets Teresa – she is a natural leader. Her leadership style is quiet, collaborative, and inclusive. She listens well, draws out the best in others, and seeks to make everyone feel heard. In other words, she has a leadership style that differs from the brazen, charismatic style to which we are naturally more accustomed. I will admit that I too overlooked this wonderful attribute when I first met Teresa, only to discover it later as a delightful surprise as this characteristic unfurled in our subsequent interactions.

Teresa's leadership style earns her the respect of her peers and inspires loyalty from those around her. It also allows her to implement change effectively in a collaborative manner that brings others along. One reflection of the high regard in which Teresa is held by her classmates is the fact that she was elected as co-Editor-in-Chief (EIC) of the HLS National Security Journal. As you know, this field is one that has historically been male-dominated. Teresa is the first female EIC in the journal's history. She and her peers have worked hard to create an inclusive environment in the various national security law extracurricular organizations on campus, leading to a rapid increase in the diversity of students participating in such events. They've done so in a quiet, but

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effective, way – and I look forward to Teresa and others in this cohort making a similar impact in the field out in the real-world in a few years, as they have at Harvard Law.

I hope the above capture why I have found it to be so exciting to serve as Teresa's mentor during her time at Harvard Law. Teresa is special – someone who brings a unique combination of analytical smarts, quiet leadership, and a determination to serve. I hope you will grant her an interview to see for yourself why I think so highly of her. Please do not hesitate to let me know if you have any questions or require any further information. Thank you for considering my views.

Sincerely,

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May 25, 2023

The Honorable Timothy James Kelly
District Judge
United States District Court
District of Columbia
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RE: Recommendation for Teresa Chen

Dear Judge Kelly:

I am very pleased to recommend Teresa Chen for a clerkship in your chambers. I have come to know Teresa well this year and think she is an absolutely top-notch student who will make an excellent clerk.

I first came to know Teresa when she took an approximately 30-person workshop class I co-teach with my colleague Mark Wu. In that class students engage the work-in-progress of leading scholars writing about the impact of Asia on global legal institutions. Students are required to prepare four papers engaging said work, in each instance offering one or more important constructive criticisms designed to help the author improve the work in question. In addition, students are required to post comments on other works-in-progress (we have about eight or nine a semester) and are required to participate actively in class face-to-face with the authors of said works.

Teresa's work in the aforementioned class was excellent. Each of her papers was analytically keen, well written, and made very valuable points in an artful, constructive manner. This was very much in keeping with her posts and her classroom participation. That Teresa stood out was all the more impressive, given that the class is comprised of students who aspire to careers in academe and hence, are even stronger than those in a typical class.

I also had the good fortune of supervising an independent study paper of Teresa's regarding how lawyers, legal academics, and officials on Taiwan are understanding and endeavoring to address the law of the


People's Republic of China on the National Security of Hong Kong. In doing this paper, Teresa displayed why I think she will be a superb clerk. The subject matter was a difficult, politically charged one. Nonetheless, Teresa was able to identify core legal questions and devise a set of questions that she could raise in interviews with consequential figures (including former government ministers, leading partners in major law firms, internationally famous law faculty) across a wide spectrum of views. She did this so well that I got emails from those I knew thanking me for introducing them to so smart, talented, and careful a student. And even more importantly for your purposes, in the paper itself, she tackled the hardest questions in a very lawyerly, astute fashion. It was a pleasure to supervise her in this project – she is an unusually mature, thoughtful, highly responsible student whose research and writing skills are excellent.

That Teresa did so well is no surprise to me. Her academic performance at Harvard Law School has been terrific – almost all Honors grades across a range of subjects from a variety of professors. Moreover, she has been a leader here at the Law School – earning the respect of her classmates and being chosen as an editor-in-chief of the school's national security journal (something which is quite an honor).

I should say that Teresa stands out among her peers here in her maturity and her capacity to bridge differences. She is one of the most polite and community-minded students I have ever had, and she was eager for feedback on her work, be it from me or other students in a writing group we had of a half dozen students interested in doing papers concerning East Asia. I am quite confident she'd be a valuable presence to have in chambers and a wonderful presence with whom to work.

Thank you for considering this letter and please do not hesitate to let me know should you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'W P Alford', written in a cursive, flowing style.

William P. Alford

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Applicant Education

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 Date of BA/BS **May 2016**
 JD/LLB From **Georgetown University Law Center**
https://www.nalplawschools.org/employer_profile?FormID=961
 Date of JD/LLB **May 1, 2022**
 Class Rank **School does not rank**
 Law Review/Journal **Yes**
 Journal(s) **Georgetown Journal of International Law**
 Moot Court **Yes**
 Experience
 Moot Court Name(s) **Appellate Advocacy Division**

Bar Admission**Prior Judicial Experience**

Judicial Internships/
Externships **No**
Post-graduate Judicial
Law Clerk **Yes**

Specialized Work Experience

Specialized Work
Experience **Appellate**

Recommenders

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**This applicant has certified that all data entered in this profile and
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June 9, 2023

Chambers of the Honorable Timothy J. Kelly
333 Constitution Avenue N.W.
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Dear Judge Kelly,

I am a current Fifth Circuit clerk for the Hon. Leslie H. Southwick in Jackson, MS, and I am writing to apply for a clerkship in your chambers for the 2025-2026 term. I graduated Order of the Coif from Georgetown University Law Center in 2022 with a 3.93 GPA. After my current clerkship, I will be joining Latham & Watkins in their New York office.

I have included my resume, law school transcript, undergraduate transcript from Yale, and writing sample. In addition, I will supplement this application with letters of recommendation from the following professors:

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If there is any other information that would be helpful, please let me know. Thank you for taking the time to consider my application.

Sincerely,

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EDUCATION

- Sept 2019 to 2022 **Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC**
J.D., Order of the Coif, *magna cum laude*. GPA: 3.93.
Global Law Scholar; Merit scholarship recipient; *Georgetown Journal of International Law* (Articles Editor); Moot Court Team (Appellate Advocacy).
- 2018 to 2019 **University of Oxford, Oxford, UK**
M.A., Irish History. *Merit*.
- 2012 to 2016 **Yale University, New Haven, CT**
B.A., History, *magna cum laude*. GPA: 3.9/4.0
- 2005 to 2012 **St. Paul's Girls' School, London, UK**
A-Levels: English (A* grade), History (A*), French (A), Maths (A), 2012. GCSE: 10A*.

EXPERIENCE

- Aug 2022 – Aug 2023 **U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, Jackson, MS**
Law Clerk
One year clerkship with the Honorable Leslie H. Southwick.
- Summer 2021 **Latham & Watkins LLP, New York, NY**
Summer Associate
Rotational program through litigation and corporate; focused on appellate work.
- Fall 2020 **Senate Judiciary Committee, Washington, DC**
Intern
Internship with Senator Klobuchar's staff; helped with Supreme Court nominee hearings.
- Summer 2020 **San Francisco District Attorney, San Francisco, CA**
Intern
Wrote motions in limine for on-going trials, helped formulate and edit briefs, and prepared materials for upcoming murder trial.
- Aug 2016 - Sept 2018 **Credit Suisse, New York, NY**
Analyst, Leveraged Finance Credit
Analyzed corporate credit on the Fixed Income trading floor in the High Yield and Distressed Credit space, focusing on media, gaming, and metals/mining sectors. Built financial models, presented trade situational reviews to sales, trading, and buy-side clients. Collaborated with banking, capital markets, and corporate management to bring new issues to market including Dominion Diamonds, Mountain Province Diamonds, and Downstream Casinos.

LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

- 2018 to 2019 **Oxford Imps Improv Comedy Group, Performer**
Performer in the semi-professional musical improv group in Oxford. Performed for several weeks at the International Fringe Festival in Edinburgh, Scotland, Summer 2019.
- 2013 to 2016 **Just Add Water Improv Comedy Group, Business Manager, Performer**
Business Manager and performer in the Yale musical improv comedy troupe.

OTHER

Citizenships: United States, United Kingdom, Republic of Ireland
Languages: French (highly proficient); Spanish (intermediate)
Interests: comedy, Irish history, surfing (badly), audiobooks

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Record of: Emma V. Dougall
GUID: 831368150

Course Level: Juris Doctor

Degrees Awarded:
Juris Doctor Jun 08, 2022
Georgetown University Law Center
Major: Law/Global Law Scholars
Honors: Magna Cum Laude
Awards: Order of the Coif

Entering Program:
Georgetown University Law Center
Juris Doctor
Major: Law/Global Law Scholars

Subj	Crs	Sec	Title	Crd	Grd	Pts	R
Fall 2019							
LAWJ	001	92	Civil Procedure	4.00	A	16.00	
			Naomi Mezey				
LAWJ	002	92	Contracts	4.00	A-	14.68	
			Girardeau Spann				
LAWJ	005	22	Legal Practice: Writing and Analysis	2.00	IP	0.00	
			Jessica Wherry				
LAWJ	008	21	Torts	4.00	A	16.00	
			Paul Rothstein				
Dean's List Fall 2019							
			EHrs			QHrs	
			QPts			GPA	
Current			12.00			12.00	46.68
Cumulative			12.00			12.00	46.68
			3.89			3.89	
Spring 2020							
LAWJ	003	22	Criminal Justice	4.00	P	0.00	
			Shon Hopwood				
LAWJ	004	92	Constitutional Law I: The Federal System	3.00	P	0.00	
			Yvonne Tew				
LAWJ	005	22	Legal Practice: Writing and Analysis	4.00	P	0.00	
			Jessica Wherry				
LAWJ	007	22	Property	4.00	P	0.00	
			K-Sue Park				
LAWJ	235	50	International Law I: Introduction to International Law	3.00	P	0.00	
			David Koplow				
Mandatory P/F for Spring 2020 due to COVID19							
			EHrs			QHrs	
			QPts			GPA	
Current			18.00			0.00	0.00
Annual			28.00			12.00	46.68
Cumulative			30.00			12.00	46.68
			3.89			3.89	

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Subj	Crs	Sec	Title	Crd	Grd	Pts	R
Fall 2020							
LAWJ	038	07	Antitrust Law	3.00	A+	12.99	
			Howard Shelanski				
LAWJ	1461	05	Race and Poverty in Capital and Other Criminal Cases Seminar	2.00	A-	7.34	
			Stephen Bright				
LAWJ	1491	10	Externship I Seminar (J.D. Externship Program)		NG		
			Arun Rao				
LAWJ	1491	92	~Seminar	1.00	A	4.00	
			Arun Rao				
LAWJ	1491	94	~Fieldwork 3cr	3.00	P	0.00	
			Arun Rao				
LAWJ	361	02	Professional Responsibility	2.00	A	8.00	
			Peter Tague				
LAWJ	661	05	Global Law Scholars Seminar I: Building an International Skill Set	1.00	P	0.00	
			David Stewart				
Dean's List Fall 2020							
			EHrs			QHrs	
			QPts			GPA	
Current			12.00			8.00	32.33
Cumulative			42.00			20.00	79.01
			3.95			3.95	
Spring 2021							
LAWJ	1010	05	International Law in Domestic Courts Seminar	3.00	A	12.00	
			David Stewart				
LAWJ	126	05	Criminal Law	3.00	A+	12.99	
			Arun Rao				
LAWJ	1349	08	Administrative Law	3.00	A-	11.01	
			Lisa Heinzerling				
LAWJ	165	05	Evidence	4.00	A	16.00	
			Paul Rothstein				
LAWJ	662	05	Global Law Scholars Seminar II: Building an International Skill Set	1.00	P	0.00	
			David Stewart				
LAWJ	872	11	World Trade Organization: Agreements, Negotiations & Disputes	2.00	A	8.00	
			Michael House				
Dean's List Spring 2021							
			EHrs			QHrs	
			QPts			GPA	
Current			16.00			15.00	60.00
Annual			28.00			23.00	92.33
Cumulative			58.00			35.00	139.01
			3.97			3.97	

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Record of: Emma V. Dougall
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Subj	Crs	Sec	Title	Crd	Grd	Pts	R
----- Fall 2021 -----							
LAWJ	121	02	Corporations	4.00	A	16.00	
			Robert Thompson				
LAWJ	1631	05	Federal Practice	2.00	A	8.00	
			Seminar: Contemporary				
			Issues				
			Irving Gornstein				
LAWJ	1647	05	Warren Court Legal	3.00	A	12.00	
			History Seminar				
			Brad Snyder				
LAWJ	215	09	Constitutional Law II:	4.00	B+	13.32	
			Individual Rights and				
			Liberties				
			Randy Barnett				
			EHrs	QHrs	QPts	GPA	
Current			13.00	13.00	49.32	3.79	
Cumulative			71.00	48.00	188.33	3.92	
Subj	Crs	Sec	Title	Crd	Grd	Pts	R
----- Spring 2022 -----							
LAWJ	1322	05	Civil Rights Statutes	2.00	A+	8.66	
			and the Supreme Court				
			Seminar				
			Irving Gornstein				
LAWJ	1492	110	~Seminar	1.00	A-	3.67	
			Alexander White				
LAWJ	1492	112	~Fieldwork 3cr	3.00	P	0.00	
			Alexander White				
LAWJ	1492	39	Externship II Seminar		NG		
			(J.D. Externship				
			Program)				
			Alexander White				
LAWJ	178	05	Federal Courts and the	3.00	A-	11.01	
			Federal System				
			David Vladeck				
LAWJ	396	05	Securities Regulation	4.00	A	16.00	
			Donald Langevoort				
LAWJ	790	08	International Criminal	2.00	A	8.00	
			Law				
			Virginia Prugh				
Dean's List 2021-2022							
----- Transcript Totals -----							
			EHrs	QHrs	QPts	GPA	
Current			15.00	12.00	47.34	3.95	
Annual			28.00	25.00	96.66	3.87	
Cumulative			86.00	60.00	235.67	3.93	
----- End of Juris Doctor Record -----							

Applicant Details

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Contact Phone Number	4084104807

Applicant Education

BA/BS From	Northeastern University
Date of BA/BS	May 2020
JD/LLB From	Harvard Law School
	https://hls.harvard.edu/dept/ocs/
Date of JD/LLB	May 25, 2023
Class Rank	School does not rank
Law Review/Journal	Yes
Journal(s)	Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy
Moot Court Experience	Yes
Moot Court Name(s)	Ames Moot Court Competition

Bar Admission

Prior Judicial Experience

Judicial Internships/ Externships	No
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Post-graduate Judicial Law Clerk **No**

Specialized Work Experience

Recommenders

Vermeule, Adrian
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McDaniel, Josh
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This applicant has certified that all data entered in this profile and any application documents are true and correct.

MARIO E. FIANDEIRO

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June 12, 2023

The Honorable Timothy J. Kelly
U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia

Dear Judge Kelly,

I am writing to apply for a clerkship in your chambers for the 2025 – 2026 term. I recently graduated Harvard Law School *cum laude*, where I served as the Editor-in-Chief of the *Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy* and was an active member of the Harvard Federalist Society. This upcoming year, I will be serving as a clerk for Judge Jerry E. Smith of the Fifth Circuit.

During my term as Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal*, the *Journal* accelerated its rise to prominence publishing scholars including Stephen Sachs, William Baude, Cass R. Sunstein, and Adrian Vermeule as well as several of your colleagues from the federal judiciary including Judge Douglas H. Ginsburg, Judge Neomi Rao, Judge Andrew S. Oldham, Judge Paul B. Matey, Judge James C. Ho, and Judge Jeffrey S. Sutton. We also hosted our first in-person symposium in living memory this past fall with 19 scholars and 120 attendees from at least 4 countries.

The following faculty have agreed to provide letters of recommendation. Please note that Prof. Vermeule's letter will arrive late (due to travel constraints).

- Richard H. Fallon, Jr., Professor, Harvard Law School, rfallon@law.harvard.edu.
- Adrian Vermeule, Professor, Harvard Law School, adrian.vermeule@icloud.com.
- Charles Donahue, Professor, Harvard Law School, rspang@law.harvard.edu.
- Josh McDaniel, Director, Harvard Religious Freedom Clinic, jmcddaniel@law.harvard.edu.

Enclosed are my resume, law school transcript, and writing sample. The writing sample is an essay I wrote for Judge Sutton in his state constitutional law course responding to the proposition: The state courts should follow *Employment Division v. Smith*, in construing the free exercise clauses in their own constitutions.

I would welcome the opportunity to interview with you. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Mario Fiandeiro

Mario Fiandeiro

Enclosures.

MARIO E. FIANDEIRO

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EDUCATION

Harvard Law School

Juris Doctor, *cum laude*

Cambridge, MA

2023

Journals: Editor-in-Chief, Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy, Volume 46

Clinics: Harvard Religious Freedom Clinic, Sports Law Clinic, Harvard Prison Legal Assistance Project

Activities: Federalist Society, Mock Trial Team, Catholic Law Students Association

Northeastern University

Bachelor of Science in Economics and Mathematics, *summa cum laude*

Boston, MA

2020

Honors: University Scholars Program (full-tuition academic merit scholarship for top 1-2% of applicants)

UPCOMING EXPERIENCE

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, Hon. Jerry E. Smith

Law Clerk

Houston, TX

Aug. 2023 – Aug. 2024

EXPERIENCE

Jones Day

Summer Associate

New York, NY

May 2022 – July 2022

- Drafted portion of appellate documents to the Seventh Circuit and the Court of Appeals of New York.
- Composed research memos on wide-ranging topics in both the criminal and civil spaces.
- Interviewed client in preparation for appearance in family court on custody matter.

Special Olympics

Legal Intern

Cambridge, MA

Jan. 2022

- Prepared memos on topics including regulatory compliance, geopolitics, and municipal government.
- Summarized technology vendor contract for various stakeholders.
- Drafted contracts for independent contractors working for Special Olympics.

Becket

Legal Intern

Washington, D.C.

June 2021 – Aug. 2021

- Researched for merits briefing in the Ninth Circuit on behalf of Native American tribe.
- Drafted portion of administrative appeal for minority client seeking agency exemption.
- Wrote memo summarizing fee petition jurisprudence in a particular federal jurisdiction.
- Reviewed thousands of pages of discovery for facts undermining counterparty claims.

Wellington Management Company

Legal and Compliance Co-op

Boston, MA

June 2019 – Dec. 2019

- Evaluated client claims to sovereign immunity for counterparty agreements.
- Facilitated negotiations with brokers to improve Cleared Derivatives Execution Agreements.
- Identified exposure to new regulations in agreements with Futures Commission Merchants.
- Assessed legal risk to Wellington in draft documents governing recently developed derivatives.

Wayfair Inc.

Algorithms Department (various discontinuous positions)

Boston, MA

Jul. 2018 – Aug. 2020

- Worked on Wayfair's algorithm for simultaneously pricing millions of products at profit-optimal levels.
- Solved pricing problems and emergencies.
- Managed and mentored incoming co-op students.

INTERESTS

Chess, powerlifting, the San Francisco 49ers.

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL - STUDENT SELF SERVICE

Unofficial Transcript

Mario Enzo Fiandeiro

5/23/2023

3L, Section 1

Fall 2020 Term: Sep 1 - Dec 31

Course Code	Title	Primary Instructor	Grade	Credits
1001	Contracts 1	Okediji	P	4.00
1003	Legislation and Regulation 1	Tarullo	P	4.00
1000	Civil Procedure 1	Rubenstein	P	4.00
1004	Property 1	Kelly	P	4.00
1006	First Year Legal Research and Writing 1B	Havasy	P	2.00
Subtotal:				18.00

Winter 2021 Term: Jan 1 - Jan 22

Course Code	Title	Primary Instructor	Grade	Credits
1051	Negotiation Workshop	Goldstein	CR	3.00
Subtotal:				3.00

Spring 2021 Term: Jan 25 - May 14

Course Code	Title	Primary Instructor	Grade	Credits
1005	Torts 1 <i>* Dean's Scholar Prize</i>	Gersen	H*	4.00
1024	Constitutional Law 1	Fallon	H	4.00
2035	Constitutional Law: First Amendment	Fried	H	4.00
1002	Criminal Law 1	Yang	P	4.00
1006	First Year Legal Research and Writing 1B	Havasy	P	2.00
Subtotal:				18.00

Fall 2021 Term: Sep 1 - Dec 3

Course Code	Title	Primary Instructor	Grade	Credits
2049	Criminal Procedure: Adjudication	Lanni	H	4.00
2829	Wildlife Law	Glitzenstein	H	2.00
2229	Sports and the Law: Examining the Legal History and Evolution of America's Three "Major League" Sports: MLB, NFL and NBA	Carfagna	P	1.00
2042	Copyright	Tushnet	P	4.00
2048	Corporations	Ramseyer	P	4.00
<i>Subtotal:</i>				15.00

Winter 2022 Term: Jan 4 - Jan 21

Course Code	Title	Primary Instructor	Grade	Credits
8028	Sports Law Clinic	Carfagna	H	2.00
<i>Subtotal:</i>				2.00

Spring 2022 Term: Feb 1 - May 13

Course Code	Title	Primary Instructor	Grade	Credits
3093	Rediscovering The Legal Process	Vermeule	H	2.00
8055	Religious Freedom Clinic	McDaniel	H	3.00
3064	Religious Freedom Clinical Seminar	McDaniel	H	2.00
7000W	Independent Writing	Goldsmith	H	2.00
2000	Administrative Law	Vermeule	P	4.00
<i>Subtotal:</i>				13.00

Fall 2022 Term: Sep 1 - Dec 31

Course Code	Title	Primary Instructor	Grade	Credits
2136	Introduction to Japanese Law	Ramseyer	H	3.00
3202	The United States Supreme Court	Sunstein	H	2.00
8055C	Religious Freedom Clinic - Advanced Clinical	McDaniel	H	2.00
2169	Legal Profession	Coquillette	H	3.00
2589	Behavioral Economics, Law and Public Policy	Sunstein	P	2.00
2079	Evidence	Rubin	P	2.00
<i>Subtotal:</i>				14.00

Fall-Spring 2022 Term: Sep 1 - May 31

Course Code	Title	Primary Instructor	Grade	Credits
3500	Writing Group: The Original Constitution	Sachs	CR	1.00
Subtotal:				1.00

Winter 2023 Term: Jan 1 - Jan 31

Course Code	Title	Primary Instructor	Grade	Credits
2507	State Constitutional Law	Sutton	H	2.00
Subtotal:				2.00

Spring 2023 Term: Feb 1 - May 31

Course Code	Title	Primary Instructor	Grade	Credits
2165	Legal History: Continental Legal History <i>* Dean's Scholar Prize</i>	Donahue	H*	3.00
7000W	Independent Writing	Sachs	H	2.00
3087	The Jurisprudence of Excellence	Brewer	H	2.00
2086	Federal Courts and the Federal System	Fallon	H	5.00
3042	Classical Liberalism and the Rule of Law	Kethledge	H	2.00
Subtotal:				14.00

Projected Total: 100.00

Richard H. Fallon, Jr.
HARVARD LAW SCHOOL
1545 Massachusetts Avenue
Areeda Hall 330
Cambridge, MA 02138

June 13, 2023

The Honorable Timothy Kelly
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Kelly:

I write to recommend Mario Fiandeiro, who has recently applied for a position as one of your law clerks.

Mario was a student in two of my classes at Harvard Law School, Constitutional Law 1 during his first year and Federal Court during his third year. In both, his performance was excellent.

Mario took my Constitutional Law 1 class during the Spring semester of 2021, when the pandemic required that all classes occur online. In that environment, I found that relatively rapid-fire cold-calling was essential to keep students engaged. As a result, I did not get to know all students personally as well as I might have otherwise, but I did get to observe their preparation and capacity to respond to questioning. In that environment, Mario shone. He was hard-working, prepared, and articulate. At the end of the semester, his blind-graded exam ratified me in that assessment. It was well written and analytically cogent and earned Mario a grade of Honors for the course.

Mario was comparably impressive in the Federal Courts class. In that notoriously difficult course, my in-class colloquies with students were slower-paced, aimed at eliciting more in-depth analysis. I also took more questions. Once again, I found Mario to be well-prepared and articulate, even in comparison with other students in a highly self-selected group. And once again his exam put him in the Honors category.

My high appraisal of Mario is corroborated by his overall record at Harvard Law School. Among his notable extracurricular activities, Mario was elected by his peers to serve as Editor-in-Chief of the *Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy*. Over the years, I have found that students tend to be excellent judges of their peers' talent, judgment, and reliability. In addition to his journal work, Mario participated in the Harvard Religious Freedom Clinic, the Harvard Prison Legal Assistance Project, the Federalist Society, the Mock Trial Team, and the Catholic Law Students Association.

Beyond his Law School activities and achievements, Mario would come to your chambers after a year as a law clerk to Judge Jerry Smith of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. I would expect that experience to sharpen his skills as a legal researcher and writer.

In all of my interactions with Mario, I have found him to be pleasant and modest. I would expect him to be a very easy person with whom to work.

Overall, based on everything that I know about Mario, I would expect him to be an excellent law clerk, and I recommend him accordingly.

If I could possibly provide any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.
Sincerely,

Richard Fallon
Story Professor of Law

Richard Fallon - rfallon@law.harvard.edu - 617-495-3215

June 20, 2023

The Honorable Timothy Kelly
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Kelly:

I'm writing to recommend Mario Fiandeiro for a clerkship in your chambers. In my time teaching Harvard Law students in the school's Religious Freedom Clinic, I have worked with many remarkable students. Mario ranks as one of the best.

In the Religious Freedom Clinic, students learn to practice law by taking on challenging religious freedom cases. Given the clinic's real-world practical approach, I work extensively with students, seeing how they engage on difficult issues in the classroom, collaborating with them in a chambers-like work environment, and observing their research, writing, and advocacy skills as they work to turn out first-rate work product under tight deadlines.

During his two semesters in the Religious Freedom Clinic, I worked with Mario on four amicus briefs, as well as a demand letter to secure chapel access for inmates at a federal prison facility. With each project, as well as his research assistant work for me, I've been impressed time and again with his uncanny ability to turn around superlative work product within a short timeframe.

Mario's writing was strong to begin with, and I have seen it improve over the course of the year I've worked with him. I urge my students to see the craft of writing as something that can be honed and developed through study and practice, and I can tell Mario has taken that advice to heart. In each successive draft, I've seen his writing become increasingly forceful and clear.

Mario is also driven and passionate about his work. In one case, *Apache Stronghold v. United States*, the Ninth Circuit granted en banc review on an important religious freedom issue in late November as our semester was wrapping up. Although Mario had already fulfilled his clinical hours for the semester, he volunteered to research the issues in the case, review all the amicus briefs that had been filed at the panel stage, and propose a number of unique angles for an en banc amicus brief. His tireless work led our clinic to draft an amicus brief over the winter break, raising many of the points and research Mario had come up with. And his work paid off: At the recent en banc argument, several judges favorably discussed the points raised in our amicus brief that Mario first identified.

In our clinic's short time at Harvard, we've already had a few of our early clinic students go on to secure Supreme Court clerkships, and I can confidently say Mario is of that caliber. He has the work ethic, demeanor, and abilities to be an excellent clerk.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you'd like to discuss Mario further.

Sincerely,

Joshua C. McDaniel
Visiting Assistant Clinical Professor of Law
Director, Harvard Religious Freedom Clinic
Harvard Law School

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Applicant Education

BA/BS From	Columbia University
Date of BA/BS	June 2020
JD/LLB From	Harvard Law School
	https://hls.harvard.edu/dept/ocs/
Date of JD/LLB	May 23, 2024
Class Rank	School does not rank
Law Review/Journal	Yes
Journal(s)	Harvard Law Review
Moot Court Experience	No

Bar Admission**Prior Judicial Experience**

Judicial Internships/Externships	No
Post-graduate Judicial Law Clerk	No

Specialized Work Experience

Recommenders

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This applicant has certified that all data entered in this profile and any application documents are true and correct.

ADAEZE (ADA) ANITA ONYIMAH

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June 17, 2023

The Honorable Timothy James Kelly
United States District Court
District of Columbia
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Kelly:

I am writing to apply for a clerkship in your chambers for the 2025 - 2026 term, or any subsequent term. I am a rising third-year law student at Harvard Law School and an editor of the *Harvard Law Review*, vols. 136 – 137.

My desire to clerk stems from my commitment to increasing access to justice. I was born in Lagos, Nigeria, and immigrated to Atlanta, Georgia when I was 6 years old. In those early days, my family of five squeezed into a one bedroom apartment and used food stamps to get by. I worked part-time throughout high school and college to both support myself and send money back home. My personal experiences have motivated me to work towards dismantling the barriers to justice present in our society and to advocate on behalf of those who find it most difficult to be heard, including immigrants, the incarcerated, and low-income individuals.

As a law student, I have had the opportunity to serve as a student attorney for the incarcerated through the Harvard Prison Legal Assistance Program (PLAP), and will be representing an incarcerated woman at her parole hearing this December. I also served as a law clerk for the National Veterans Legal Services Program (NVLSP) and worked with veterans who suffered military sexual trauma (MST) in the course of service. I also actively seek out research opportunities geared towards engendering social change: this academic year, I have participated in legal research focused on bettering inmate healthcare, advancing voting rights, and advocating for the well-being of children.

I believe my academic experiences have prepared me to be an asset to your chambers. For example, my research assistant positions and the *Law Review* have sharpened my legal writing, research, and oral advocacy skills. Additionally, my summer associateships at Kirkland & Ellis have equipped me with the ability to work quickly and collaboratively in a team to fulfill a shared goal.

HLS Professors Crystal S. Yang (617-496-4477), Guy-Uriel Charles (617-998-1742), and Michael Gregory (617-998-0108) have submitted separate letters of recommendation on my behalf. Justice Rosalie Abella (613-878-5468), a former Supreme Court Justice of Canada, Abigail Reynolds (202-265-8305), a Staff Attorney at the National Veterans Legal Services Program, and Ragan Naresh (202-389-5267), a litigation partner at Kirkland & Ellis, have also offered to serve as references.

I have enclosed my resume, law school transcript, undergraduate transcript, and writing sample. I would welcome the opportunity to interview with you, and I thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Ada Onyimah

ADAEZE (ADA) ANITA ONYIMAH

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EDUCATION**Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA**

Candidate for Juris Doctor, May 2024

- Activities: *Harvard Law Review*, Editor, Vols. 136 – 137
 Harvard Prison Legal Assistance Project, Student Attorney
 Black Law Students Association (BLSA), Sponsorship Committee Chair
- Awards: *Federal Circuit Bar Association*, Association Founder's Scholarship, 2023
Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, Cooke Graduate Scholarship, 2021 – 2024

Columbia University, New York, NY

Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science, May 2020

- Activities: *Columbia Undergraduate Law Review*, Editor, Vols. 14 – 15
 Columbia University Black Pre-Professional Society (CUBPS), Founder and President
 Women in Computer Science, Chief Operating Officer

EXPERIENCE**Kirkland & Ellis LLP**

Summer Associate in New York, NY, May 2023 – Present

- Working primarily in the Intellectual Property Litigation and Investment Funds practice areas
- Conducting legal research and drafting memoranda on patent litigation and SEC disclosures

Summer Associate in Washington, D.C., May 2022 – June 2022

- Worked primarily in the Intellectual Property Litigation and Congressional Investigations practice areas, and completed several International Human Rights pro bono assignments
- Conducted legal research, analyzed congressional testimony, and assisted in preparing a client to testify before the House January 6th Committee

Harvard Law School, Cambridge, MA

Research Assistant to Professor Crystal S. Yang, July 2022 – Present

- Conducting legal research on the effect of health care accreditation on the quality of health care received by incarcerated individuals in medium-sized jails nationwide
- Drafted a research memo tracking state-by-state adherence to health standards in U.S. jails

Research Assistant to Professor Guy-Uriel Charles, September 2022 – November 2022

- Conducted legal research and assisted in drafting of an amicus brief in *Moore v. Harper*, a key voting rights case on partisan and racial gerrymandering heard by the Supreme Court in 2022

National Veterans Legal Services Program, Washington, D.C.

Law Clerk, June 2022 – July 2022

- Performed legal research and screened cases for eligibility in order to help veterans and their families obtain previously denied benefits from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
- Worked with veterans who suffered military sexual trauma (MST) in the course of service and were subsequently diagnosed with mental health conditions post-discharge

JPMorgan Chase & Co., New York, NY

Software Engineer, July 2020 – July 2021

- Improved an antiquated internal web application, increasing developer efficiency by 40%
- Mentored aspiring engineers of color through a JPMC diversity initiative
- Received an Employee Recognition Award for outstanding work on an optimization project for the Chase banking website, used by nearly 51 million users

INTERESTS

Traveling (twelve countries and counting), figure skating (competitor ages 8 – 12), and true-crime documentaries. Other affiliations include First Class, an organization for first-generation students, and the African Law Association.

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Current Program Status: JD Candidate

JD Program				2250	Trusts and Estates	P	4
Fall 2021 Term: September 01 - December 03					Sitkoff, Robert		
					Fall 2022 Total Credits:		11
1000	Civil Procedure 1	P	4		Winter 2023 Term: January 01 - January 31		
	Rubenstein, William						
1001	Contracts 1	H	4	2411	JuryX Workshop	H	3
	Okediji, Ruth				Nesson, Charles		
1006	First Year Legal Research and Writing 1B	P	2		Winter 2023 Total Credits:		3
	Havasy, Christopher						
1003	Legislation and Regulation 1	H	4		Spring 2023 Term: February 01 - May 31		
	Tarullo, Daniel			2048	Corporations	H	4
1004	Property 1	P	4	2079	Sanga, Sarah		
	Mann, Bruce				Evidence	P	3
Fall 2021 Total Credits:				18	Clary, Richard		
Winter 2022 Term: January 04 - January 21				7000W	Independent Writing	H	2
					Yang, Crystal		
1059	The Craft of Lawyering	CR	2	7000W	Independent Writing	H	2
	Lee, William				Gersen, Jacob		
Winter 2022 Total Credits:				2	3500	Writing Group: Problems in Public Law	CR
Spring 2022 Term: February 01 - May 13					Gersen, Jacob		1
					Spring 2023 Total Credits:		12
2011	Art of Social Change	H	2		Total 2022-2023 Credits:		26
	Gregory, Michael						
1024	Constitutional Law 1	P	4		Fall 2023 Term: August 30 - December 15		
	Eidelson, Benjamin			2059	Designing Dispute Systems for Justice	~	2
1002	Criminal Law 1	H	4		Viscomi, Rachel		
	Yang, Crystal			2086	Federal Courts and the Federal System	~	5
1006	First Year Legal Research and Writing 1B	H	2		Goldsmith, Jack		
	Havasy, Christopher			3261	Law, Business, and the Public Good	~	2
1005	Torts 1	P	4		Tallarita, Roberto		
	Gersen, Jacob			2934	Patent Trial Advocacy	~	3
Spring 2022 Total Credits:				16	Tompros, Louis		
Total 2021-2022 Credits:				36	Fall 2023 Total Credits:		12
Fall 2022 Term: September 01 - December 31					Winter 2024 Term: January 02 - January 19		
2928	Election Law	H	3	2169	Legal Profession: Government Ethics - Scandal and Reform	~	3
	Charles, Guy-Uriel				Rizzi, Robert		
2984	Seeing Criminal (In)Justice: Examining the Interplay of Visual Media, Storytelling and Criminal Law	H	2		Winter 2024 Total Credits:		3
	Cohen, Rebecca Richman						
3141	The Judicial Role in a Democracy	H	2	2000	Spring 2024 Term: January 22 - May 10		
	Abella, Rosalie Silberman				Administrative Law	~	4
					Block, Sharon		

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	Spring 2024 Total Credits:	4
	Total 2023-2024 Credits:	19
	Total JD Program Credits:	81
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Accreditation

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Degrees Offered

J.D. (Juris Doctor)
 LL.M. (Master of Laws)
 S.J.D. (Doctor of Juridical Science)

Current Grading System

Fall 2008 – Present: Honors (H), Pass (P), Low Pass (LP), Fail (F), Withdrawn (WD), Credit (CR), Extension (EXT)

All reading groups and independent clinicals, and a few specially approved courses, are graded on a Credit/Fail basis. All work done at foreign institutions as part of the Law School's study abroad programs is reflected on the transcript on a Credit/Fail basis. Courses taken through cross-registration with other Harvard schools, MIT, or Tufts Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy are graded using the grade scale of the visited school.

Dean's Scholar Prize (*): Awarded for extraordinary work to the top students in classes with law student enrollment of seven or more.

Rules for Determining Honors for the JD Program

Latin honors are not awarded in connection with the LL.M. and S.J.D. degrees.

May 2011 - Present

<i>Summa cum laude</i>	To a student who achieves a prescribed average as described in the <u>Handbook of Academic Policies</u> or to the top student in the class
<i>Magna cum laude</i>	Next 10% of the total class following <i>summa</i> recipient(s)
<i>Cum laude</i>	Next 30% of the total class following <i>summa</i> and <i>magna</i> recipients

All graduates who are tied at the margin of a required percentage for honors will be deemed to have achieved the required percentage. Those who graduate in November or March will be granted honors to the extent that students with the same averages received honors the previous May.

Prior Grading Systems

Prior to 1969: 80 and above (A+), 77-79 (A), 74-76 (A-), 71-73 (B+), 68-70 (B), 65-67 (B-), 60-64 (C), 55-59 (D), below 55 (F)

1969 to Spring 2009: A+ (8), A (7), A- (6), B+ (5), B (4), B- (3), C (2), D (1), F (0) and P (Pass) in Pass/Fail classes

Prior Ranking System and Rules for Determining Honors for the JD Program

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Prior to 1961, Harvard Law School ranked its students on the basis of their respective averages. From 1961 through 1967, ranking was given only to those students who attained an average of 72 or better for honors purposes. Since 1967, Harvard Law School does not rank students.

<u>1969 to June 1998</u>	<u>General Average</u>
<i>Summa cum laude</i>	7.20 and above
<i>Magna cum laude</i>	5.80 to 7.199
<i>Cum laude</i>	4.85 to 5.799

June 1999 to May 2010

<i>Summa cum laude</i>	General Average of 7.20 and above (exception: <i>summa cum laude</i> for Class of 2010 awarded to top 1% of class)
<i>Magna cum laude</i>	Next 10% of the total class following <i>summa</i> recipients
<i>Cum laude</i>	Next 30% of the total class following <i>summa</i> and <i>magna</i> recipients

Prior Degrees and Certificates

LL.B. (Bachelor of Laws) awarded prior to 1969.

The I.T.P. Certificate (not a degree) was awarded for successful completion of the one-year International Tax Program (discontinued in 2004).

June 18, 2023

The Honorable Timothy Kelly
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Judge Kelly:

I am writing on behalf of Adaeze (Ada) Anita Onyimah (Harvard Law School Class of 2024), who has applied for a clerkship in your chambers. Ada is smart, curious, and hardworking. I think she would be a terrific addition to your chambers and I recommend her with great enthusiasm.

Ada was in my Criminal Law class in Spring 2022. I found Ada to be well prepared in class every time I called on her. Ada was also a frequent contributor to class discussions, demonstrating nuance and open-mindedness in sharing her opinions and responding to the views espoused by her classmates. Ada also wrote a very good exam for my course, receiving an H grade, reserved for roughly the top third of the class. My blindly-graded exam consisted of a complex issue spotter on issues of conspiracy and accomplice liability that required knowledge of both common law approaches and the Model Penal Code, as well as a policy question on prosecutorial charging discretion and plea bargaining. Her exam demonstrated an excellent understanding of doctrine and policy, and her writing was clear and succinct.

In addition, Ada has also been working for me as a research assistant on a large-scale randomized control trial assessing the impact of health care accreditation on healthcare delivery in 40 jail systems across the United States. Ada has exhibited enthusiasm and attention to detail on this project and has been a huge help in doing extensive literature reviews of the landscape on health care accreditation in jails, recruiting jails for our study, and helping us with grant applications. She is a real team player, works well with others, and has excellent writing and research skills.

I also supervised Ada's independent writing project in Spring 2023. Ada wrote a very interesting paper on the intersection between police shootings of parents and constitutional rights to "parenthood." In this paper, Ada asks the intriguing question of whether the state should be liable when state actors incidentally deprive a child of the presence in their life of a parental figure. Ada ultimately concludes yes – that where the interference is so grossly negligent or deliberately indifferent that it shocks the conscience of the court, families of victims should be allowed to recover. Ada's paper was well-written and researched, and it taught me much.

From our various conversations inside and outside of class, I have also observed Ada to be kind, empathetic, and hardworking. Based on group discussions with classmates, I have found her to be liked and respected by her classmates. And she has done extensive direct service work as a student attorney for the Harvard Prison Legal Assistance Project and as a law clerk for the National Veterans Legal Services Program helping veterans who were victims of Military Sexual Trauma (MST). I know that Ada is very interested in pursuing a career in litigation and believe she would benefit greatly from a clerkship in your chambers.

Based on these observations, I am confident that Ada will be a superb addition to chambers. She is bright, professional, enthusiastic, and eager to learn. I have no doubt that she will get along with everyone in your chambers. Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Best wishes,
Crystal S. Yang

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June 18, 2023

The Honorable Timothy Kelly
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse
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Dear Judge Kelly:

I am writing this letter in enthusiastic support of Ada Onyimah's application for a clerkship in your chambers. I first got the opportunity to know Ada when she was a 1L in my course The Art of Social Change, and I am now supervising her research into the constitutional right to family integrity. In both contexts, Ada's writing proficiency, research skills, and enthusiasm for the law makes me confident that she will be an exceptional law clerk.

In my class, Ada stood out. She asked our guest speakers insightful questions and was an active participant in small-group discussions. She consistently raised challenging questions about legal advocacy and systemic reform on behalf of children. In particular, she productively probed my own work creating trauma-sensitive schools, considering the merits and drawbacks of this approach in black and brown communities. Her reflection papers were incisive, well-written, and thoroughly supported, evincing a deep engagement with both the course material and the contributions of her classmates. She went above and beyond in her group project by personally producing and editing an excellent video on how insufficient access to technology affected low-income children during the pandemic. Overall, Ada was a student with exceptional insight and analytic skill, and a review of her academic record reveals that her performance in my course was repeated across her second-year courses.

I am also currently supervising Ada's ambitious research into a child's constitutional right to family integrity, which will become her capstone project for our Youth Advocacy Fellows Program. She hopes to argue that children deprived of companionship with parents who were wrongfully convicted should be able to claim the substantive due process right to family integrity. Although she understands this is a novel argument and is only at the beginning of her research process, she is pursuing the project with rigor and tenacity. Ada has provided me with a cogent overview of the project and excellent summaries of the relevant cases, and she has diligently kept me up to date with her research progress without prompting.

Just as important as Ms. Onyimah's academic ability is her passion for and dedication to social justice. She has served as a student attorney for incarcerated individuals, holds a leadership position in the Black Law Student's Association, and volunteered at a legal aid program for veterans who were victims of military sexual trauma. It is also my impression that she selectively chooses research assistant positions with an eye for opportunities to contribute to increasing access to justice. For example, she is currently conducting research into health standards in U.S. jails and she also helped draft an amicus brief for a pivotal election law case last semester. She brings a mature professionalism to all of her endeavors and has excelled both inside and outside the classroom.

Overall, Ada has proven herself to be an incredibly bright and capable young woman, and is adept at engaging with challenging material and supporting her theories and arguments in a precise and thoughtful manner. She brings energy to all of her pursuits and is a joy to be around.

In short, I recommend Ada to you strongly and without reservation, and truly believe she will be a valuable addition to your chambers. If I can be of any further assistance in your review of her application, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Michael Gregory, Esq.

Clinical Professor of Law

Faculty Director, Youth Advocacy and Policy Lab (Y-Lab)

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June 18, 2023

The Honorable Timothy Kelly
E. Barrett Prettyman United States Courthouse
333 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
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Dear Judge Kelly:

I am writing to strongly recommend Adaeze Anita Onyimah and to support her application to clerk in your Chambers. Ms. Onyimah graduated from Columbia University and Harvard Law School where she was an editor of the Harvard Law Review. At Harvard, among her many tasks, she worked with me and Professor Crystal Yang. She was also a member of the Black Law Students Association. As you can tell from her transcript, she was a great student at HLS. She is very smart, sagacious, perceptive, is an indefatigable worker.

Ms. Onyimah was a student in my Election Law Class where she was a very active and thoughtful participant. She wrote a very creative and persuasive paper on the modern applications of the Ku Klux Klan Act. We met numerous times to select a topic, narrow it down, review her outline, and sharpen her argument. The paper argued that the Act offered a remedy for those interested in combatting voter suppression efforts. It canvassed the legislative history of the Act and cases that have interpreted the Act to show how the Act would apply to modern efforts at voter intimidation and vote suppression.

In addition, she was among group of students who worked with me to draft an amicus brief for the Supreme Court of the United States on the Harper v. Moore case. She was actively involved in the planning calls and strategy sessions on the brief. She wrote four memos summarizing relevant caselaw from Arkansas, South Carolina, and Oregon.

Having had many opportunities to supervise Ms. Onyimah's legal written work, I can attest to her superior legal writing and research abilities. Needless to say, we would have relied on her research for a brief to the Supreme Court if we did not have complete faith in her abilities. Her research memos for the legal brief were thorough and on point. She examined every potential issue and ran down all the cases that were potentially relevant. The writing was clear and precise. It was evident from the memo which cases we needed to emphasize and which ones we could pay less attention to. Her research paper for my class was equally compelling. Although it was more of an "academic" paper, its legal analysis was spot on. The paper was not that different from a research memo a bench memo, or a draft opinion that one might write for a judge.

Ms. Onyimah also has a delightful personality. She is a first-generation student. She is very much a team player. In fact, she is a former high school and college athlete. She very much carries that experience to her professional life. She will be a great person to have in Chambers. She is also very trustworthy, easygoing, and hardworking. She cares deeply about others and about making a difference in this world. She is respectful but not shy about asking questions or making a point. She will fit very nicely into any working environment.

Based upon my firsthand observations, I can confidently say that Ms. Onyimah will be an excellent law clerk. I am sure that you will receive a lot of applications from a lot of extremely qualified individuals. Ms. Onyimah should be at the very top of that group. It has been my pleasure to work with her and I could not be more impressed by her abilities. I very much hope that you at least interview her. She will be a fabulous addition to your Chambers.

Sincerely,

Guy-Uriel Charles
Charles Ogletree, Jr. Professor of Law

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